

Amendments to the Claims:

Claim 1 is cancelled and claims 2, 5 to 10, 13, 14 and 23 are amended as set forth hereinafter.

Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Cancelled).
2. (Currently Amended) The antivibration device of ~~claim 1~~ claim 8, wherein said foamed elastic material is a polyurethane foam.
3. (Original) The antivibration device of claim 2, wherein said elastic material is microporous and foamed with a pore size which is less than 0.2 mm.
4. (Original) The antivibration device of claim 2, wherein said elastic material is microporous and foamed with a pore size which is less than 0.1 mm.
5. (Currently Amended) The antivibration device of ~~claim 1~~ claim 8, wherein said foamed elastic material has pores and said pores constitute a volume portion in a range approximately from 50% to 65% of the total volume.

6. (Currently Amended) The antivibration device of ~~claim 1~~
claim 8, wherein said foamed elastic material has a specific
weight lying in the range of 350 kg/m³ to 650 kg/m³.

7. (Currently Amended) The antivibration device of ~~claim 1~~
claim 8, further comprising a sleeve surrounding said vibration
damper so as to hinder a transverse expansion of said vibration
damper.

8. (Currently Amended) ~~The antivibration device of claim 1,~~
An antivibration device between a motor unit including an
internal combustion engine and a vibration-insulated unit of a
portable handheld work apparatus including a motor-driven chain
5 saw, cutoff machine, suction/blower apparatus or the like, the
antivibration device comprising:

a vibration damper interposed between said units and said
vibration damper being made of a foamed elastic material;

said vibration damper having a peripheral surface and
10 including a plurality of radially projecting ribs formed on said
peripheral surface and said ribs being made of said foamed
elastic material; said ribs having peripheral surfaces; and,

said antivibration device further including means for
holding said vibration damper at said peripheral surfaces of said
15 ribs when said vibration damper is in the built-in state so as to
leave an intermediate space between each two mutually adjacent
ones of said ribs.

9. (Currently Amended) ~~The antivibration device of claim 1,~~

wherein An antivibration device between a motor unit including an internal combustion engine and a vibration-insulated unit of a portable handheld work apparatus including a motor-driven chain saw, cutoff machine, suction/blower apparatus or the like, the
5 antivibration device comprising:

a vibration damper interposed between said units and said vibration damper being made of a foamed elastic material;

one of said motor unit and said vibration-insulated unit
10 [[has]] having a lug;

said vibration damper [[has]] having an opening for accommodating said lug therein; and,

said lug [[has]] having a latch nose for axially securing said vibration damper.

10. (Currently Amended) The antivibration device of ~~claim 1~~
claim 8, wherein said motor unit, said vibration-insulated unit and said antivibration device conjointly define a vibratory system having a resonance frequency (f_R) which lies below the
5 lower limit (f_1) of a frequency range (f_B) to be damped.

11. (Original) The antivibration device of claim 10, wherein the $\sqrt{2}$ -multiple of said resonance frequency (f_R) lies below said lower limit (f_1) of said frequency range (f_B) to be damped.

12. (Original) The antivibration device of claim 10, wherein said lower limit (f_1) of said frequency range (f_B) to be damped is defined by the idle rpm of said internal combustion engine.

13. (Currently Amended) The antivibration device of ~~claim 1~~
claim 8, wherein said vibration-insulated unit is a handle unit
connected to said motor unit via said antivibration device.

14. (Currently Amended) ~~The antivibration device of claim 1,~~
~~further comprising~~ An antivibration device between a motor unit
including an internal combustion engine and a vibration-insulated
unit of a portable handheld work apparatus including a
5 motor-driven chain saw, cutoff machine, suction/blower apparatus
or the like, the antivibration device comprising:

a vibration damper interposed between said units and said
vibration damper being made of a foamed elastic material;

a metal spring in addition to said vibration damper made of
10 foamed elastic material material; and,

said metal spring being operatively connected to said
vibration damper to provide a pretensioning force therefor.

15. (Original) The antivibration device of claim 14, said metal
spring being made of steel.

16. (Original) The antivibration device of claim 14, wherein
said vibration damper and said metal spring are connected in
parallel.

17. (Original) The antivibration device of claim 14, wherein
said vibration damper is built in so as to be pretensioned.

18. (Original) The antivibration device of claim 14, wherein

said vibration damper is pretensioned by a pretension force of said metal spring.

19. (Original) The antivibration device of claim 14, wherein said metal spring is configured as a helical spring defining a longitudinal axis; and, said vibration damper is mounted approximately coaxial to said helical spring.

20. (Original) The antivibration device of claim 14, further comprising a pivot joint for pivotally connecting said metal spring to one of said motor unit and said vibration-insulated unit.

21. (Original) The antivibration device of claim 14, further comprising first and second pivot joints for connecting said metal spring to said motor unit and said vibration-insulated unit, respectively.

22. (Original) The antivibration device of claim 19, further comprising a threaded lug for engaging the coil of said helical spring for holding said helical spring at at least one of the ends thereof.

23. (Currently Amended) ~~The antivibration device of claim 13,~~
further comprising An antivibration device between a motor unit
including an internal combustion engine and a vibration-insulated
unit of a portable handheld work apparatus including a
5 motor-driven chain saw, cutoff machine, suction/blower apparatus

or the like, the antivibration device comprising:

a vibration damper interposed between said units and said
vibration damper being made of a foamed elastic material;

said vibration-insulated unit being a handle unit connected
10 to said motor unit via said antivibration device;

a metal spring in addition to said vibration damper made of
foamed elastic material;

said handle unit having first and second sides; and,

said metal spring being mounted at said first side and said
15 vibration damper being mounted on said second side.